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AT LIPNO; NOW BUT 26 MILES FROM THORN

Cossack Dash Forces German Cavalry Retreat. Russians Wipe Out Battalion in Carpathian Pass. Turks Lose Two Destroyers in Dardanelles Sortie - Ottoman Offensive Gains Ground Near Batum.

German Batteries Silenced in Violent Artillery Battles Along Banks of the Aisne-French Claim' Gains in Argonne-Australian Troops Repulse Attack of Turks in Suez Region-British Win in Africa.

Renewed vigor marks the Russian drive against Thorn. The cavalry vanguard has forced the Germans to retreat to Lipno, only 26 miles from the Prussian stronghold.

Russian forces have annihilated an entire German battalion in a great battle for possession of the Dukla Pass. Desperate fighting for two days and nights won both the pass and the heights dominating it. Between Jaslicka, Galicia, and Mezo Laborcz, the Russians have swept across the mountain ridges and also have forced the Austrians out of the Wysck district.

German reinforcements are aiding the Austrians in the Beskid range, southeast of Przemysl. The Germans announce officially occupation of Goumine, on the Warsaw front, and capture of 4000 prisoners.

A million Muscovites are fronting the Germans on the Warsaw lines, as great reinforcements have been brought forward to check the violent activity during the first days of a fresh thrust at the Polish capital. Already first line trenches taken by the foe have been

Petrograd reports a new invasion of pressing on to Budapest.

In artillery battles raging along the Alsne the French have silenced several German batteries, according to the Paris War Office': report. A slight gain near Perthes in the Argonne, as well as the repulse of German attacks in that region, is also claimed. The Germans have launched fire boats on

THE WEATHER



The groundhog missed his guess. that there is anything so very unusual about that, but it must be a considerable aetback to his pride to have the very first day of his predicted spring produce some of the most blustery weather we have had in these parts this winter. If you have any doubts about the wretchedness of the weather at present, here is some first-hand festimony to that effect. Says Cyril Maude in his curtain speech in "Grumpy"; "Everybody is very kind and does his best to make us feel as much at home as if we were in London." "Eyen the weather!"

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity-Snow this afternoon and probably tonight; Thursday generally fair; not much change in temperature; moder-

ate winds, mostly northwest. For details, see page 2.

Observations at Philadelphia

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the River Encre, north of Albert, directing them against the French lines, but this new form of warfare has been

without effect thus far.

Two Turkish torpedo boats were sunk and a third damaged by Allies' warships, according to an unconfirmed Athens report, which tells of an unsuccessful sortie of Ottoman destroyers from the Dardanelles.

Australian troops, recently arrived in Egypt, routed a Turk detachment he Suez region.

GERMANS FORCED BACK AS THORN DRIVE GAINS

Retreat to Lipno, 26 Miles From

Prussian Stronghold. WARSAW, Feb. 3.

The Russian drive against Thorn, the great German fortress on the Vistula in East Prussia, bas been resumed. After sanguinary fighting along the lower Vistula and north of that stream the Germans have retreated to Lipno, only 28 miles from Thorn.

In this fighting the cavalry forces of the opposing armies have borne the brunt and at every stage the Cossacks have determined their superiority over the finest consemen in the German army.

Near the village of Lutozin, northeast of Serpez, a body of Cossacks came into contact with an entire squadron of the famous German Seventh Cuirassiers. The German squadron was cut to pieces and the Culrassiers were killed almost to a

CZAR WIPES OUT GERMAN **BATTALION IN CARPATHIANS**

Dukla Pass and Heights Captured in Two Days' Battle.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 3. Annihilation of an entire German battalion in the fighting in the Carpathians was announced in official dispatches from

These dispatches contain absolute con firmation of the report that German armies are concentrating southeast of the Beskid Pass, according to the official statement, which adds that the Germans co-operating with the Austrians in

the defense of Hungary.
Dukla Pass and all the heights dominating it have been recaptured by the Russians after one of the fleroest batter. that has marked the operations in the Carpathian Mountains. The pass fell into the hands of the Russians and the Austro-German forces retreated to Mezo Laborcz on Monday night after a battle that raged for two days and nights.

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During the conflict a battalion of the 224th German Regiment was caught in a mountain deflie and completely annihilated by the fire of mountain guns operated by the Russians.

Russian forces have advanced, fighting along the broad front at Dukla Pass, and have crossed the principal ridge of the mountain range in the region of Jasilska and Mezo Laborcz, where they took a battery of six cannon, two mortars and a number of rapid firers, as well as a large number of prisoners.

A German offensive movement southeast of Uszok Pass was repulsed with enormous losses.

enormous losses.
Russian forces are still maintaining their ground in the valleys of the Ungh and Latoreza Rivers in Hungary.

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GERMANY'S FLEET PREPARES TO STRIKE **NEW BLOW AT FOES**

Emperor's Visit to Wilhelmshaven and Warning of Operations on French Coast Show Coming Activity.

BERLIN, Feb. 3. Emperor William's visit to Wilhelmshaven and a warning by the Admiralty Staff of the coming operations on the French coast are taken here to mean that the German fleet will henceforth show

great activity. In the course of his stay at Wilhelmshaven the Emperor will visit the ships that participated in the recent battle in the North Sea, including the Seydiits and Kolberg, which were struck by the British shells, but escaped serious damage. The Admirality's warning of operations off the Frenish coast is considered by some as a notice of an actual blockade. This view is shared by the Morgen Post, which, however, points out that many essentials of a blockade are lacking. "We will carry the naval contest to the enemy," says the Morgen Post, which, like other German papers, highly praises the work of the submarine U-21 for sinking British vessels.

The Cologne Gazette, which is frequently inspired by the Government, today contained the following caustic strack upon the neutrality of the United States:
"American neutrality is now only a the North Sea, including the Seydlits and

States:

"American neutrality is now only a thin curtain behind which realous, loving service to England conceals itself. If America respects only bruial power we, too, will play the brutal power."

The attack was made in the course of an article dealing with foreign press comment upon the launching of Admiral your Tippits's submarine warfare against British merchantmen.

"If America were really neutral." said the Gasette, "she would demand permission to sell war materials to Germany and Austria, as well as to the Allies."

CANADA SEIZES SHIPMENT OF GRAIN AT NIAGARA, ONT.

Nine Carloads Held as Contraband of War.

WINNIPEG, Man. Feb. 2-Nine cartoads of grain shipped from Fort William by the Western Canada Milling Company have been selzed at Niegura, Ont.

The shipment was dratined for New Term and points to the Bellie.

CHURCHES SAVE RUM BUSINESS. SUNDAY'S JOL'

Saloon Will Go to Hell. He Shouts, "When Members Stop Voting for Booze."

Churches and church members were eld responsible for the existence of the booze" business in Philadelphia by Hilly" Sunday this afternoon when, in "booze" business in Philadelphia by "Billy" Sunday this afternoon when, in one of his atrongest sermons, he pleaded for renewed strength for Christians through spiritual power. Because of the intermingling of the worldly things with the religious, the church has lost its power, the evangelist declared.
"I know, you know and you'll have to admit it, that whenever every person whose name is on the church record votes against the saloons the saloon will go to hell," he shouted. "You know and

go to hell." he shouted. "You know and I know that whenever the church people stop going to the theatres they'll either go out of business or clean up." At the close of the sermon and a characteristic prayer, "Billy" asked for converts, and 66 men and women "hit the sawdust trail" and took his hand. Among them was one man so much under the influence of liquor that he could scarcely

influence of liquor that he could scarcely sit in "glory row."

"Mel" Trotter, of Detroit, Michigan, the widely known evangelist and social worker, who was converted in the Pacific Garden Mission, Chicago, where Sunday accepted Christ 29 years ago, and a close friend of the baseball preacher, addressed the converts and offered prayer. During his talk he fold the "trall hitters" not to delay telling their friends they had come to Christ. All were urged to pray, read their Bibles and confess God before the world.

"Mel" caused much laughter by his witty remarks. One of these was: "When I accepted Christ and stopped swearing, I lost half of my vocabulary." "Billy hit at church members who are leaders in card parties and society. He said: "A man came to me and said Mrs. So-and-so is one of my leading members. I asked, 'Does she go to prayer meeting? He answered, No.' I asked, 'Does she visit the sick?' 'No.' Does she put her arms about some poor sinner and

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STUDENT SUICIDE WAVE AT U. OF P. HALTED BY SUNDAY

Provost Smith Tells How He Brought Evangelist Here After Three Tragedies of Youth.

"Billy" Sunday was invited to address would halt a student suicide wave which side of the river.

"I went West early last spring," said Doctor Smith, "but throughout the trip I could not rid my mind of the memory of those unfortunate occurrences at the University. Three young lives snuffed out by their own hands. I said to myself: 'sn't it your duty-to call a halt and task the boys to think soberly of the problems of this life and their relation with

the next world?"
"I decided to ask 'Billy' Sunday to address the student body. I must say that there was not unanimous opinion that he should be asked; nevertheless, he was invited and spoke to the students in the

"Since then there has been a noticeable difference in the attitude of the student Continued on Page Two

ROBBED BY MASKED MEN

Force \$325.25 From Victim at Point of Revolvers.

Three masked men with revolvers broke into the room of Andelo Aronica. 1936 South 6th street, early this morning and forced him to give up \$255.25 he had locked to a with case of the control of the con in a suit case preparatory to taking a

in a suit case preparatory to taking a trip to Cleveland.

Aronica fired five shots from his revolver after the men had escaped and attracted the attention of Sergeant Lanshe and Policeman Swansfon, of the 7th and Carpenter streets station. They searched the house and found the burglars had entered by a cellar door.

About 26 hoarders in the house were lined up before Aronica, but he could not identify any of them as the men who robbed him. Aronica told the police he was aroused at 2 c'clock this morning by the sound of the lock of his door being broken off. Before he could reach his weapon the three men had him covered with revolvers.

PEESO TO RUN FOR PENN

Coach Orton Selects Fourth Member of Relay Team.

Jimmy Peezo was this afternoon seected as the fourth member of the Uni-

lected as the fourth member of the University of Pennsylvania's two-mile relay team which is to run against Dartmouth at the B. A. A games in Besion Saturday night. The light for the place was very keen between Peens and Stout. Peess thally winning by virtue of having run a better trial today. The other members of the team are Ted Maredith, Dorsey and Balcom.

Not much is known of the strength of the Dartmouth quarrette, but one of the Grenn's remners will be Granger, the Nagro star. Pennsylvania is thought to have the stronger team, but the Hanover collegious have had more experience running indoors. Miradith is the mainstar of the Pennsylvania team, and if his teaminates can give him anything like an even users on the final mile, the Guakerra gired of the condition.

TODAY'S BASKETBALL RESULTS Chestnut Hill Academy 15 Mt. Airy Theological Seminary... 10 Haverford Prep, 2d..... 7 WEST PHILA. HIGH'S CLASS RELAYS

DYNAMITING OF BRIDGE 'IS WAR,' SAYS GERMAN

Seniors

Juniors

Sophomores

Freshmen

Attack on Border Span and Says He Cannot Be Extradited.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .- Formal application for the extradition to Canada of Werner Van Horne, the alleged German officer arrested for attempting to destroy the railroad bridge over the St. Croix River today was made to the State Department by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador.

VANCEBORO, Me., Fcb 3.-Werner Van Horne today told his own story of the dynamiting of the Canadian Pacific Rall-way and Maine Central Rallroad bridge over the St. Croix River. He declared that he alone was responsible and that the German Government knew nothing of his plans.

of his plans.

"My country is at war," said Van Horne. "We are fighting Canada along with the others. Canada has been supplying men to the Aliles' ranks in Europe. From Canada have been shipped great cargoes of grain and other foodstuffs, ammunition and guns.

"Ne armal cart of these shipments have

"No small part of these shipments have passed over this bridge. To destroy these bridges would at least interrupt the line of freight cars bearing munitions of war

of freight cars bearing munitions of war to Canada's eastern seaports. That is why I tried to wreck the bridge.

"The German Government did not instruct me to do it. I did it myself, I—I did it," he said, slapping himself on the chest. "I am a German officer. About my rank or about my regiment you must not ask. I may not tell you. It is enough to say that I am a German officer.

"I am not married. My age is I years. I have been in America about five years, most of the time on a rubber plantation in what is known as Chiapas, in South America. About three weeks ago I came to New Orleans and from there to New York. I was in Staten Island for a while. I left New York last Friday night and came back here, and I have been at the Exchange Hotel here since my arrival at Billy" Sunday was invited to address but the distinct purpose of wrecking the bridge. I met a man, an Irishman, who because the bridge of pennsylvania students.

This was the substance of a speech this afternoon by Provest Edgar F. Smith. of He was to arrive on the Canadian alde the University, before the Ohio Society of Philadelphia at the Hotel Adelphia.

Provost Smith praised "Billy" Sunday and the influence he exerted upon the student body at Penn when he addressed them in the latter part of February.

"I went West early last spring," said the bridge arrive on the canadian side of the visure at the united States end of the bridge. "Saturday night, the first night I was there, I kept this appointment. We were to know each other by a password. The password was "Twomie." I met him on the bridge and we made arrangements for the delivery of the explosive. He was to his delivery of the explosive. He was to

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ROBERT HOFFNER HAS LOW CARD IN GIMBEL TOURNEY

Miss Edith Larzelere Leads Ladies

Today on Indoor Course. A four-cornered tie for the qualifying round prize resulted when Robert Hoffner, unattached, today equalled the score of 50 made by three other players on the first two of the golf tournament on the Gimbel indoor links. E. E. Cleary, another unattached entry, was second today with a card of 51.

with a card of 51. As the best score in the ladies' tourna-ment was the 60 made by Miss Edith Larzelere, Old York Road Country Club. the qualification prize in that event goes to Mrs. W. J. Peck, Merion, who made a 55 yesterday. Today's summary:

MEN. Robert Hoffer, unattached 2
E. E. Cleary, unattached 2
L. Goldberg, unattached 2
J. J. Cunningham, unattached 2
Lewis Biswart, Bon Air. 3
H. C. Potter, Merican 3
R. Lippincott, Huutingdon Valley 9
D. B. Altman, Frankford 3
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J. A. Bradiey, Riverton 3
B. P. Comley, Jr. Woodbury 3
John J. Kelly, unattached 3
M. Armstrohg, Riverton 3
B. P. Comley, Jr. Woodbury 3
J. Armstrohg, Riverton 3
B. P. Comley, Woodbury 4
WM. B. Hess, unattached 3
J. Armstrohg, Riverton 3
B. P. Comley, Woodbury 4
WOMEN.
Miss Edith Larselere, Old York
Reaf

It was announced this afternoon that the exhibition 36-hole match between Isaac Mackle, Fox Hills and Joe Mitchell, Upper Montclair, on one side and Davy Cuthbert, Huntingdon Valley, and Frank Sprogell, Philmont, on the other, would be played on Tuesday, February 8, instead of Monday, February 8, and that the Junior Tournament originally scheduled for February 9, would be played on Saturday morning, February 13.

CRAZED BY CHILD'S BLINDNESS An insune father is in the Danville, Pa., asylum today in a serious condition, while his daughter, Mary Wargo, is in the Wills Eye Hospital, in this city, ignorant of the fact that her parent lost his result of wordinent over her systight.

restorday John Wergo, proprietor of the Shamokiu Hotel, visited his daughter in the hospital here. While on his way hume by because meanic on the train. His nondition because so serious that it was necessary to remove him to the asylum.

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SNOW SWEEPERS IN SERVICE TO PREVENT STREET BLOCKADE

Van Horne Boasts of His Rapid Transit Company Begins Operations in Germantown-Railroads Prepare for Emergency.

Philadelphia's total rainfall for the storm period beginning Sunday morning was 4.23 inches.

The average rainfall for the en-tire month of February, or \$35 inches, has been exceeded during the first three days of this month. In this period approximately 3.95 inches has fallen. The excess rainfall here since January 1 has been 7.05 inches.

with the flakes still coming down, im-pelled the Rapid Transit Company to start its big sweepers over its lines in that section of the city before 2 o'clock this afternoon. So far no sweepers have been sent out

by either of the three railroads entering this city, but all the big snow plows are in readiness if the snowfall should prove heavy enough to humper traffic.

The snow is the heaviest of the winter, and indications that it will con-

winter, and indications that it will continue for some hours. The forecast for tomorrow is fair weather.

The snew proved a benefit for pedestrians and horses, caking on the ice and making footing more safe. It also affords an opportunity for unemployed men to earn a little money clearing off sidewalks or working for the city, cleaning the attention of some

walks or working for the city, cleaning the streets of snow.
Preparations for the removal of snow from the streets in the central part of the city were made today by Chief Wilsam H. Connell, of the Bureau of High ways, after he had received word from the Weather Bureau to the effect that the snow would probably continue to fall throughout the day and night.

In order to be ready in the event of a heavy knowfall, Chief Connell ordered the ten contractors who hold the contracts for the removal of snow to hold their ploughs in readiness for use at a few ploughs in readiness for use at a few

Continued on Page Two WILD SCENE IN WHEAT PIT: PRICE GOES TO \$1.66

Early Drop Followed by Rebound in Interval of 15 Minutes.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—The most riotous scenes witnessed on the Board of Trade since the famous Patten and Leiter deals since the ramous Patten and Leiter deals occurred at today's opening, when May wheat opened at \$1.62, suddenly dropped to as low as \$1.58% within 10 minutes, and at the end of 15 minutes had leaped to \$1.55% per bushel. At one time the price rose to \$1.65, a new record.

Speculators who crowded the public and

private galleries caught the excitement and joined in the shouts from the floor. Notices were served on officials of the Armour Grain Company, the J. Resen-baum Grain Company and Bartlett, Frazier & Co. that they must appear before United States Attorney Cline with fore United States Attorney Cline with their records of transactions since Au-gust 1. The Government wants to learn, according to Mr. Cline, whether the doubling in the price of wheat in six months has been legitimate or the result of manipulation.

REPORT SENDS WHEAT DOWN Price Drops for Two Minutes, Then

Mounts to \$1.65. May wheat sagged for two minutes May wheat sagged for two minutes to-day from the opening price of 1.54 to 1.55%, quickly recovering to 1.65. The sud-den drop was said by brokers to have been due to the reported destruction of four forts at the Dardanelles. If the Dardanelles forts really were de-stroyed Russia would be able to ship out her wheat, it is believed, and this would result in a big drop in the American wheat prices.

SENIORS WIN WEST PHILA. HIGH INTERCLASS RELAYS

wheat price.

New Records Established in Every Event Today.

Event Today.

The senior class won the annual interciass relay meet of West Philadeiphia High School in the school's gymnasium this afternoon with a total of 14 peints. The juniors apphomores and freshmen finished in the order named.

The previous records for the four events were broken. The junior relay covered the one-mile event in a minutes and B 1-6 seconds, clipping a quarter of a second off the former mark. Five seconds were clipped off the old record in the two-mile race, the seniors winning in a minutes and 38 1-5 seconds.

The freshmen improved the half-mile race by three seconds while the seniors beat the former four-mile mark by 11 seconds.

The summartos follow:
One-sulle relay—Woo by juniors (Vina, Reukanto Wohling, Harian); second, seniors; third,
ephospores. Time, 3:28-5.6.
Two-units testay—Won by seniors (Starling,
Rirby, Tangert, Menaugh), second, sophemores; third, juniors. Time, 0:36-1-3.
risafrants raisy—Won, by irresomen (Miller,
Gartridge, Harron, Highley); second, sophemores; third, seniores, Time, 1:107-1-5.
Faur-taile relay—Won by seniors (Boyer,
Flooras), direct, Cullary; second, juniors; third,
frantmen, Time, (20:68.

MANHOLE COVERED AT LAST A cover was today placed over the sanhole at Eth and Market streets, which manhoin at Lith and Market streets, with for several days was covered by an old peddler's box. As there is a great deal of traffic in this neighborhood the da-tayed action of the Bureau of Highways in protecting the manhoin caused con-siderable comment.

PEOPLE DEMAND COUNCILS HASTEN WORK ON TRANSIT

Favorable Action Tomorrow on Ordinance Providing for Special Election to Authorize \$30,000,000 Loan Will Permit Early Start on Construction.

Failure of Finance Committee to Report Measure Would Make It Impossible for People to Sanction High-Speed in March, as Demanded by Taylor.

If You Want to Boost Rapid Transit Telephone to These Councilmen

Here is a list of the members of Councils' Finance Committee. The ordinances that would authorize a special election to provide \$30,000,000 for a comprehensive system of subways and elevated lines, according to the plans of Transit Director A. Merrit Taylor, are now before them as a committee and have been before them for the last month. Upon their action depends whether or not the election shall be held in March and actual transit construction started in the coming summer, instead of

If you want the work on real rapid transit in Philadelphia to begin this year, communicate with these men. Call them by telephone today at their business places or at their homes tonight. Ask them to take immediate action in the matter.

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COMMON	COUNCILMEN	
Name and Home Address.	Telephone Home	
ohn P. Connelly, Chairman, 238 mount avenue Dr. Thomas J. Morton, 1453 North It tobert Smith, 2346 Reed street Peter E. Costello, 3500 Disston streeted Schwarz, Jr., 4744 Richmond so Dr. E. B. Gleason, 2033 Chestnut s Morris E. Conn, 108 South 22d streetohn H. Baizley, 821 McKean street William J. McCloskey, 1007 North 6 J. H. Kelley, 1633 South Broad streeted by the streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Kelley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. McFley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Kelley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Relley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Relley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Relley, 1633 South Broad streeted Schwarz, 1007 North 6 J. H. Relley, 1643 Relley, 1644 Relley, 1645 Relley, 1644 Relley, 1645 Relley, 1644 Relley, 1645 Relle	Fair- Market 2949. Oth at Fibert 2762. Dickinson 508. t. Tacony 7. treet. Frankford 893-D. treet. Locust 959. t. Locust 1653-W. t. Dickinson 1798-A. th st. Market 1297. etc. n ave. Germant'n 1942-D.	Spruce 8543. Filbert 2762. Filbert 2915. Locust 314. Frankford 883- Locust 160. Lombard 2282. Market 1602.

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SHIP BILL BELIEVED KILLED BY BOLT OF SEVEN DEMOCRATS

Bitter Speech by Senator Stone Regarded as Funeral Oration Over President's Pet Measure.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.-Its friends virtually conceded this afternoon that the shiu purchase bill was dead. The bolt of the seven Democrats-O'Gorman, Hitchcock, Hardwick, Bankhead, Camden, Vardaman and Clarke-who joined the Republicans in an agreement to send the bill back to a hostile committee was regarded as having been entirely success-

The Democrats who joined the Republicans in the fight were denounced as traitors and virtually read out of the party by Senator Stone in the upper house this afternoon. So strong was Stone's language that Senator O'Gorman, one of the seven bolters, made a point that Stone was violating the rules by personally abusing fellow Senators. "I think I am amenable to the rule, Mr. President," said Stone, "because the con-duct of those Senators could not be referred to without breaking the rule."
"I insist." broke in O'Gorman, "that the
Chair force the Senator from Missouri to
take his seat until he purges himself of

his conduct."

Stone apologized with a very evident sneer, and then paraphrased Mark Antony's speech on the death of Caesar in continuing his attack.

"These gentlemen," he said, "with no

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PICTURE FILM ABLAZE Theatre Panic Averted by Operator's Presence of Mind.

Presence of Mind.

Presence of mind on the part of a moving picture operator and plano player at Forepaugh's Theatre, the street below Vine, this afternoon averted a panic and probable lose of life when film on the picture machine caught fire.

When the blaze flashed from the machine some one yelled fire and most of those in the audience jumped to their feet. Gertrude Jones, of 338 North Iber street, tried to reach one of the exits and fainted. She was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital.

But the plantst continued to play and immediately several in the audience rose to calm those who were excited.

There were aboute of life down," and finally order was majored. The pale of the fire were thought to the frames of the pale of the incident. When the frames as a rived there was politing for them he are

John F. Flaherty, 652 North 8th street ... Market 256 Elect'l Bureau. The eyes of all Philadelphia will be focused upon Councils tomorrow, anxiously waiting to see whether action will be



taken upon the ordi-nance providing for a special election to authorize the \$30,-990,000 transit loan to begin the actual work of construction. Particular interest centres in this meeting of Commeeting of Coun-clis, since the fate of the proposed

of the proposed March election hangs in the balance. Should the Finance Committee fall at this time to report favorably the ordinance providing for the special election it will then be impossible to hold the election the latter part of March, as advocated by Director Taylor, of the Department of City Transit, and as favored by the majority of Councilings in each charmment of City Transit, and as favored by the majority of Councilmen in each cham-ber in the poil taken by the EVENING LEDGER three weeks ago.

Further delay on the part * the Fi-nance Committee means at best an April election and may mean the posiponement of the election until June. It is generally

rumored that Organization leaders, un-less forced by public opinion, will try to delay the election until June. For more than a month of needless de-lay the ordinances introduced in Councils at the request of Transit Director Taylor to authorize the special transit election have been pigeon-holed in the Finance Committee

Committee.

Chairman Connelly, of the Finance Committee, has fasued no call for a meeting of the committee tomorrow. If the committee does not meet and report favorably on the ordinances there will have no election for transit in March, and the inaction of the committee will be regarded by advocates of the transit play that the Republican Organization stands accurately for delaying actual transit purposes. committee.

that the Republican Organization stands squarely for delaying actual transit work until the summer of 1916. That action will mean that Philadelphia will have real rapid transit one year later than would otherwise be possible.

Chairman Connelly said yesterday that there was no desire on the part of the committee, so far as he knew, to delay the transit plan by postponing the sisction. He falled to explain why his committee has not taken any action on the matter during the last month with the ordinances before it.

At least atx weeks will clause after the favorable action on the bills by the Pinance Committee before the special election may legally be held. Further delay on the part of the committee will put the result of the election before Councils shortly before the summer re-

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